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SAVANNAH PHARMACIST ENTERS GUILTY PLEA TO ALTERING PRESCRIPTION WITHOUT AUTHORITY

SAVANNAH, GA: Lisa Godbey Wood, United States Attorney for the Southern District of

Georgia, announced that on Friday, August 4, 2006, Susanne Ziegler, a pharmacist in Savannah, entered

a guilty plea in the United States District Court in Savannah, Georgia, before Chief U.S. District Judge

William T. Moore, Jr., to providing false or fraudulent material information in a document.

During the guilty plea hearing, Ziegler admitted that she doubled the number of pills of a controlled

substance in a prescription for her husband, and that the alteration to the prescription had not been

authorized by the prescribing physician.

Ziegler remains on bond pending sentencing. A sentencing date has not been set. The plea

concluded an investigation conducted by Agent James Cope of the Georgia Drug and Narcotics Agency.

The government was represented by Assistant United States Attorneys Patricia G. Johnson and Brian

McEvoy.

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